



TRINITY NURSERY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

“GROWING LITTLE DISCIPLES IN CHRIST”

April 2010

“LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR AS YOURSELF.” — LUKE 10:27

We are all hopeful that spring is here. The children will be busy talking about spring and looking for signs that warmer weather is here to stay. We are planting bulbs as a part of Praise and Worship to watch how a flower will grow.

The caterpillars have arrived. All classes will be waiting and watching for their butterflies to emerge. Ask your child to show you the butterfly house in their classroom. We will experience the life cycle and then release them at the end of the month. The 5-year-olds will visit Turtle Creek Nursery and Greenhouse to see spring in bloom first hand.



At the Owatonna Art Center and here at TNS work will begin on Mother's Day gifts, so the children may have some new secrets.

Thank you to everyone who donated to the Food Drive in February. Together we donated 138 pounds of food. Great Job!

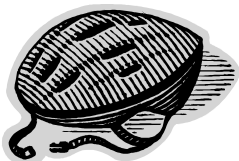
We still have openings for all ages for the 2010-2011 school year. If you know anyone who has a preschool aged child, tell them about TNS and have them call school or Heidi Meier, 446-8422.



Another sign of spring is the increased chance of severe weather. We will be having tornado drills in April and May to practice what we would do in case severe weather occurs. Our monthly fire drills will continue as well.

Brenda Jensen

“HE IS NOT HERE. HE HAS RISEN.” — LUKE 24:6



Bike helmets and booster seat order forms will be in school bags this week and are due back by Monday, April 19.

Early Childhood Sunday

Sunday, April 25th
11:15 a.m.

All TNS children and their families are invited to participate in the 11:15 church service at Trinity Lutheran Church.

The children should meet the TNS staff in the Big Room at 10:50 a.m. The children will help lead worship and provide special music during the first part of the service. Families are encouraged to stay for the church service.

Pastor Julie and Music Coordinator, Sandy Miller, are working on developing a whole service celebrating a wonderful school year. We hope to see everyone there. Mark your calendars now!

From the Heart — For Kids

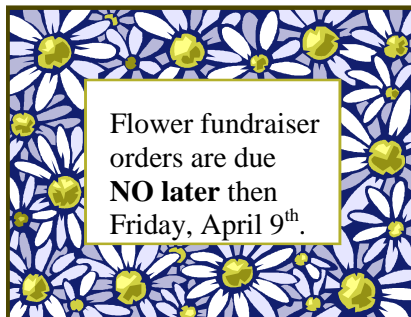
TNS is excited to be sponsoring a new family event in conjunction with the From the Heart Half Marathon and 5K walk/run. Read the attached flyer for more information, with more details to follow.

USHERS and GREETERS needed: Could your family help out?

We are looking for families that would be willing to be Ushers and Greeters for Early Childhood Sunday on April 25^h. We need two families to greet worshippers as they enter the sanctuary and four families to hand out bulletins and help with the offering. (On-the-job training will be available.) If your family is available to help with either of these jobs, **please let Brenda know by Friday, April 16**. She can be reached at school (451-8247) or at home (451-4280).

Remember all families are required to contribute 4 service hours back to TNS during the school year. All classes have field trips coming up during the final weeks of school. Talk to your teachers, if you are looking for ways to complete your service hours.

Special Teas will be the week of April 26th. All Classes will host a tea during class that week. Everyone will be able to invite one guest. Invitations will come home from each class.



BIBLE SCHOOL AND SUNDAY SCHOOL REGISTRATION

If you are interested in participating in either Bible School or Sunday School at Trinity Lutheran Church, you are always welcome.

Bible School will be held June 14th – 18th. Registration forms will be available at the Big Room table.

Sunday School registration begins May 2nd. Please call the Trinity Office, at 451-4520 for more information.

Family Festival at Willow Creek School

Thursday, April 23rd
– 6:00-7:30 p.m.

All families are invited to join us at this community-wide event. Participate in fun activities with your child as you learn about education and recreational opportunities for Owatonna families.

Volunteer Opportunity: If you would like to help at the TNS activity table, please call Missy Nelson at 463-3193 or sign up on the blue easel.

WHEN I PLAY WITH SAND I LEARN...

- To exercise my imagination;
- Concepts of size, shape and volume, empty and full;
- How to use tools;
- To solve problems;
- Concepts of warm and cool, wet, damp and dry, heavy and light;
- How to play socially with others;
- To create systems for classifying, ordering and arranging, which are math skills;
- To create my own patterns and symbols, which are reading and writing skills;
- To observe changes, a science skill.

When I Play I Learn—An ELEA Early Childhood Education Resource

